

Mayoral Proclamation

City of Brookings, South Dakota

WHEREAS, the Arts unite our community through a shared sense of understanding, culture, and experience; and

WHEREAS, Brookings made #7 on the SMU DataArts Small Cities Arts Vibrancy Index in 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Brookings Arts Council has encouraged community connections through the Arts by providing a supportive environment for awareness, appreciation, and participation since 1975; and

WHEREAS, the Brookings Arts Council enriches our community through exhibitions, conversations with artists, and numerous programs, including Warrior's Rock for Veterans, and Art Factory, a twice-weekly class for the adults of Advance; and

WHEREAS, the Brookings Arts Council is the 2021 recipient of the Governor's Awards in the Arts for Outstanding Support of the Arts by an Organization or Business; and

WHEREAS, Ashley Ragsdale, Executive Director of the Brookings Arts Council since July 2019, has gone above and beyond to strengthen, encourage, celebrate and promote the Arts in Brookings.

NOW THEREFORE, I, KEITH W. CORBETT, Mayor of the City of Brookings, South Dakota, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, January 26, 2021, as

BROOKINGS ARTS COUNCIL DAY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set forth my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the City of Brookings, this 26th day of January, 2021.

Keith W. Corbett, Mayor